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4/23/07 BEN **123092** Form 471 App. #: **530618**

Funding Request # 1477045 & 1477187 Request for Review

Service Provider Name & SPIN: Verizon New Jersey Inc. 143001362

Service Provider Name & SPIN: Verizon Network Integration Corp. 143004333

Re: APPEAL for FUNDING COMMITMENT DECISION LETTER for FUNDING YEAR 2006

Dear FCC:

I am writing to you to **appeal** the USAC's decision to deny \$17,666.83 funding. The funding decision explanation states that persuasive information that the appeal should be approved; however funding will be denied. Although **Moms** Hills Regional District upgraded bandwidth during that period, it was necessitated by the fact that we were completely out of bandwidth. Our previous and current contracted services for Internet Access remains with Verizon as filed on our form 470. The USAC has denied funding for this procedure, stating that, "The Form 471 application was signed and/or submitted prior to the expiration of the 28-day waiting period from the day of the Form 470 to the SLD Web Site."

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As an authorized applicant of **Moms** Hills Regional District, I **an** requesting your reconsideration of this denial and extend the funding. If there is any additional information I could provide to you that would expedite this matter, please feel free to contact me. Thank you for your time and assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Neil Charles Manager of Technology Services

Enclosures:

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Universal Service Administrative Company

Schools & Lihraries Division

Administrator's Decision on Appeal - Funding Year 2006-2007

March 01, 2007

Neil Charles Moms Hills Regional School District 48 Knoll Drive Rockaway, NJ 07866

Re: Applicant Name: MORRIS HILLS REGIONAL SCH DIST

Hilled Entity Number: I23092 Form 471 Application Number: 530618

Funding Request Number(s): 1477045, 1477187 Your Correspondence Received: February 02, 2007

After thorough review and investigation of all relevant facts, the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) has made its decision in regard to your appeal of USAC's Funding Year 2006 Funding Commitment Decision Letter for the Application Number indicated above. This letter explains the basis of USAC's decision. The date of this letter begins the 60 day time period For appealing this decision to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). If your Letter of Appeal included more than one Application Number, please note that you will receive a separate letter for each application.

Funding Request Number(s): 1477045, 1477187

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Decision on Appeal: Approved, Funding Denied

Explanation:

 Your appeal has brought forward persuasive information that your appeal should be approved. However, the USAC will be unable to provide discounts for your requests for the reasons cited below.

During the Appeal Review USAC thoroughly assessed the facts presented in the appeal letter, the relevant documentation on file, and the FCC Rules and Procedures before making its deteimination on your appeal. According to our records, the applicant cited PCC Form 470 application number 545010000556038 on Block 5, Item 12 of the FCC Form 471. During the initial review of the Form 471, Program Integrity Assurance (PIA) contacted and infoimed you that the Contract Award Date, September 15, 2005, for the services requested is before the Allowable Contract Date. January 30,2006, of the cited Form 470. PIA also

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informed you that the rules of this support mechanism require that the contract award date he after the allowable contract award date. In addition, you were given the opportunity to cite an alternate Form 470 establishing the bidding for the services requested on their Form 471 in order to cure the program's violation. In a fax dated November 17,2006, you provided a copy of the contracts. You also verified that Form 470 application number 545010000556038 is the Form 470 establishing the bidding requirement for the requested services. The program violation was not cured, therefore the requests have been denied.

- The Item 21 Attachment you provided in support of your Form 471 application, or documentation provided during review of your application, show that you selected your vendor prior to the end of the 28 day posting period. In your Receipt Notification Letter, USAC notified you that that the earliest datc upon which you could sign a contract or enter into an agreement is January 30, 2006, the Allowable Contract Date. Consequently, USAC denies your appeal because your application did not comply with the competitive bidding requirement that your Form 470 be posted on the website for 28 days prior to signing a contract or entering into an agreement for new products and/or services.
- You selected your vendor for new products and/or services prior to the expiration of the 28 day postingpcriod. FCC Rules require that except under limited circumstances, all Forms 470 received be posted on the USAC website for 28 days, and that applicants carefully consider all bids received before selecting a vendor, entering into an agreement or signing a contract, and signing and submitting a Form 471. 47 C.F.R. secs. 54.504 (a) (c). 54.511(a) and (c). FCC Rules further require that the Administrator send the applicant a confirmation when the Form 470 has been posted, and inform the applicant of the earliest datc upon which they may sign a contract with the vendor it selects. 47 C.F.R. sec. 54.504(b)(4). These competitive bidding requirements help to ensure that applicants receive the lowest pre-discount price from vendors. See Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45, Order on Reconsideration, 12 FCC Rcd 10095, 10098, FCC 97-246 para. 9 (rel. Jul. 10. 1997). New products and/or services include tariff telecommunications services that are NOT subject to an existing, binding, written contract.

If your appeal has been approved, but funding has been reduced or denied, you may appeal these decisions to either USAC or the FCC. For appeals that have been denied in full, partially approved, dismissed, or canceled. you may file an appeal with the FCC. You should refer to *CC* Docket No. 02-6 on the first page of your appeal to the FCC. Your appeal must be received or postmarked within 60 days of the date on this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. If you are submitting your appeal via United States Postal Service, send to: FCC, Office of the Secretary, 445 12th Street SW, Washington, DC 20554. Further information and options for filing an appeal directly with the FCC can be found in the "Appeals Procedure" posted in the Reference Area of the SLD section of the USAC website or by contacting the Client Service Bureau. We strongly recommend that you use the electronic filing options.

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We thank you for your continued support, patience and cooperation during the appeal process.

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BEN: 123092

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January 24,2007

Mr. Neil Charles

Monis Hills Regional High School

48 Knoll Road

Rockaway NJ 07866

Dear Neil,

In 2005, Morris Hills Regional High School wanted to upgrade the ATM circuits and Internet bandwidth that you had from Verizon. The total new solution was less money to Morris Hills Regional High School so you decided to move ahead and sign new amended contracts for these services to meet the requirements of your district,

Verizon was able to amend your contracts so this upgrade could happen for you at more bandwidth for less money Good for e rate disbursement, and good for your school district. **At** the end **of** the day the e rate funding I believe should be ok as the monies that they would have to **pay** out would be less then the amount you would have requested initially.

Please call with any additional questions or concerns. I can be reached at 973-765-8356.

Sincerely,

Mark A. Zweigbaum

Senior Account Manager

Verizon Business

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Verizon DIA Promotion

SERVICE QUOTATION CESS SERVICES

For Verizon Dedicated Internet Access (Verizon DIA)



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Price Quote For: Morris Hills Regional School District

Service Address:

Street 48 Knoll Dr

City, State and Zip:

Roclaiway Site Telephone Number:

NJ

973 664-2266

QUOTATION VALID THRU:

Standard Interval for Installation

Business Days 1

Transaction Type: Renewal with Upgrades Service: Verizon DIA

Service Level: Port Only

BANDWIDTH/PORT (From the Price Sheet): ATM - 10 Mbps

PROMOTION: Verizon DIA -Conversion Promotion

Service Type: K-12 Service Period: 3 Year

CON-RECORDING CHARGES	Verizon ESG Fee
- Verizon DEDICATED INTERNET ACCESS (Verizon DIA) SERVICE (or Port)	
- Lessed Circuit installation Fee (for Local Loop circuit) 2	\$ -
- Additional Services or Features NRC	5
	\$
TOTAL NON-RECURRING CHARGES	\$

MONTHLY RECURRING CHARGES		
- Verizon DEDICATED INTERNET ACCESS (Verizon DIA) SERVICE (or Port)	8	1,240.00
- Leased Circuit Monthly Requiring Fee (for Local Loop circuit)	3	
- Additional Services or Features MRC	\$	
	\$	-
TOTAL MONTHLY RECURRING CHARGES	\$	1,240.00

¹⁻Standard intervets for installation is measured in business days from the Order acceptance date which is the date Vertzon acceptance that at order and technical information is complete and valid, beginning the provisioning process. Customer will be apprised of the "Order Acceptance Date" once service provisioning begins. Port Only connection orders are measured in business days from the date the choult is installed.

Accepted and Adreed by

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Customer Price Quote

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²⁻Af Lessed Circuit risk ted fess are estimates only. In all cases, customer will be responsible for schuel incurred Lessed Circuit Charges, whether or not complete activation of services has boosted.

³⁻Monthly charges are billed one month in advence. On your first bill, you will be billed for the charges for that portion of the month in which you began senice until the end of that month, as well as charges for the following month. Depending on the day of the month on which your service began, you could be charged for up to 60 days of service on your first bill. In addition, included on your first bill will be any one time fees and equipment fees.

Dedicated Internet Access Agreement K-12 Educational Applications

This Agreement entered into as of the day of the Corp. ("Verizon") and "Country and

1. DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE

Verizon shall furnish a logical connection between Customer's device and the Verizon network which is perceived by the client software and the network to be of a permanent nature and always available. In addition, Verizon shall provide routing Services based on the TCP/IP protocol, this is the primary capability that Venzon will supply to Customer. This capability will enable Customer to connect to the internet at large as well as Verizon's own informationservices.

2 **DEFINITIONS**

- A. Educational End User **shall** mean an Educational Institution, α any full time (I) student, (ii) member of the faculty, (III), member of the administration at an Educational Institution.
- **B.** Educational End User copies shall mean any copes of the Licensed Products that **are** distributed to Educational End Users In accordance with this Agreement.
- C. Educational Institution shall mean any grammar school, junior high school or high school.

3. PRICING AND PAYMENT

- A. Customer will pay Verizon for Services as set forth in the Service Quotation (which is incorporated herein), plus applicable taxes. Verizon will invoice Customer monthly in advance for Services under this Agreement at the prices set forth in the Service Quotation. Payment is due net thirty (30) days from the date of the invoice. Verizon will charge a fee for late payment at the lesser of one and one-half percent (1.5%) per month, or the highest rate permitted by law.
- B. Verizon may assign unpaid deiinquont charges to a collection agency for action. in the event Verizon resorts to legal action to recover monies due, Customer agrees lo reimburse Verizon for all expenses incurred to recover such monies (including attorney's fees.) Failure to remit payment on a timely basis shall constitute a breach and default under this Agreement. Customer authorizes Verizon to conduct a credit search that Verizon will use to determine the credit worthiness of the Customer. Verizon may terminate this Agreement If, in the sole opinion of Verizon, the results of such search are deemed unacceptable.

C. E-Rate Funding

- If Customer seeks E-Rate funding under the federal Universal Service Fund from the Universal Service Adm(nistrative Company ("USAC") with respect to the Services and/or equipment provided pursuant to this Agreement, then:
 - Customer shall be solely responsible for applying for and securing any E-Rate funding, and for ensuring the accuracy and integrity of all data and

information submitted in connection with such application; and

ii Verlzon shall have no liability arising from any assistance it provides Customer in connection with such application and Customer shall hold Verizon harmless with respect to any such assistance or information provided to Customer.

if for any reason Customer fails 10 qualify for or secure E-Rate funding or otherwise becomes ineligible for such funding or if such funding is withdrawn or canceled or if payment of any Verizon charges is denied by USAC, Customer shall nevertheless be obligated to pay one hundred percent (100%) Of the charges associated with the Services and/or equipment provided pursuant to this Agreement that ere not paid to Verizon from E-Rate funding.At such time as Customer becomes eligible to receive discounts on the fees set forth in the Service Quotation for the Services under federal and state regulations governing Universal Service funding to schools and libraries, Verizon agrees to provide Customer with the applicable discounts for the applicable time periods pmvided that Verizon is eligible to receive offsetting reimbursements from the Universal Service fund in an amount equal to the discounts provided to Customer. Veriron and Customer agree to reasonably cooperate with oach other to the extent required to determine such eligibility and secure the applicable discounts and reimbursements, including the preparation, execution and submission of necessary paperwork.

4. VERIZON RESPONSIBILITIES

Verizon shall provide a TCP/IP routing service to connect Customer network to the Internet. Verizon shall coordinate the Installation of and order on Customer's behan, transportation facilities from Customer's premise to Venzon network. Additional services to be pmvided to Customer is sel forth in the Service Quotation, attached to and made a part of this Agreement. Verizon shall provide. technical support to Customer's System Administrator via a help desk, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Verizon shall maintain ownership of all IP addresses that it provides to Customer. All IP address space shall be allocated in strict accordance with Intemicstandards and policies.

5. CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES

A Customer and any of Customer's authorized users ('Users') shall use the Service for lawful purposes only. Customer and its Users may not use the Service in the following manner: (a) for any unlawful, improper or criminal purpose or activity: (b) to post or transmit Information or communications that are obscene, Indecent or

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pomographic, or of a sexually explicit or graphic nature which violate any local, state, federal or international law or regulation; (c) to transmit unsolicited commercial e-mails: (d) to bombard individuals or newsgroups with uninvited communications, data or information, or other similar activities, including but not limited io "spamming" or "flaming" (e) to intercept, interfere or redirect e-mail intended for third parties using the Service; (f) to introduce viruses, worms, harmful code and/or trojan horses on the Internet; (g) to post information on newsgroups which is not In the topic area of the newsgroup; (h) to interfere with another person's usage of the Internet or this Service: (i) to post or transmit information or communications that are defamatory, fraudulent or deceptive; (j) to damage the name or reputation of Verlzon, its parent, affiliates and subsidiaries; (k) to transmit confidential or proprietary information, except solely at Customer's own risk; (I) to violate Verizon's or any third party's copyright, trademark, proprietary or other intellectual property rights, including trade secret rights; or (m) to attempt to subvert, or to aid third parties is subvert, tha security of any computer facility. Customer and its Users shall not delete any proprietary designations, legal notices or other identifiers belonging to third parties from any information obtained or sent using the Service and shall not impersonate any person or use a false name while using the Service. This sedion may be amended by Verizon from time to time by posting Use Policies, without direct notice to Customer or its Users, to its web site at www.biz.bellatlantic.net, and those changes will become effective within thirty (30) days from posting. Customer hereby agrees to periodically visit Verizon's web site at www.biz.bellatlantic.net to review any such changes. The use of the Service by Customer or Customer's Users after any change by Verlzon to the terms and conditions or policies will constitute Customer's acceptance of any changes. if Customer or its Users breach this Agreement or violate any of the Vertzon Use Policies, the use of the Service by Customer and its Users may be Immediately termijiated or suspended by Vertzon without prior notice, provided that Verizon shall be under no obligation to monitor the compliance of Customer and its Users with such terms and conditions or policies.

El. The use of the Service by Customer and its Users is completely at their own risk. Verizon Shall in no way be responsible or liable to Customer or its Users for any loss or damage as a result of the use of the Service. Customer acknowledges and agrees that although Verizon shall make every reasonable effort to provide continuous, uninterrupted, and expedient Service available to Customer and its Users. interruptions in Service may occur as normal events in the provision of Service. Customer also agrees and acknowledges that through the use of the Service, Customer and its Users may have access to information which may be sexually explkil, obscene or offensive, or otherwise unsuitable for minors under the age of eighteen (18) years old. Customer acknowledges that Verizon has no control over such Information.

C. Customer shall supply a network engineering plan consisting of the following:

the current number of hosts (addressable

devices) on Customer's network.

- expected number of hosts within next six months.
- III. current number of Customer supplets.
- iv. expected number of subnets in six months
- v. subnet masks.
- ri. number of hosts on each network segment
 vii. graphical topology of your network that diagrams your network down to the host level.
- **D.** Customer may not resell the Services provided by Verizon to any non-Educational institution.

6. EQUIPMENT

Pursuant to this Agreement, Customer may purchase from Verizon the equipment listed in the Service Quotation (the "Equipment"). Title to the Equipment shall vest in Customer upon payment in full to Verizon for the Equipment. In the event the Equipment is installed at Customer's premises prior to payment in full, Customer shall:

A. safeguard the Equipment from loss and damage;

B. air g al liability instance (ith p r ty loss of a proof of the transfer of the purchase price of the and naming Verizon as additional insured; and C r profile reliability for the Ecuip rent if any damage or injury occurs and pay for all pairs, or for the replacement of the Equip reliability to the Equip reliability of the Equip reliability.

7. ENTR Ο **∤EF** Customer agrees lo rizon to enter Customer's II w Dusir Цſ r bu iss he is or by appointment ed to t er ctiv installation, ť inspec i, ⊣p ir, ep nt or di of Equipm nt and Service. ito W te make attachment and c tic inat e y to id S if t () ir. If Customer is not the owner of th t b∌ ri ad Ci ъ nust supply proof is authorized to allow work to be done on 311 such S.

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Verizon's then current undiscounted monthly rate until explicitly terminated or renewed by Customer for an additional annual or multi-annual term.

- B. Verizon reserves the right to terminate this Agreement upon sixty (eo) days prior written notice for its convenience. Vertzon also reserves the right to Immediatelyterminate the Service to the Customer without notice in the event the Service Is used In a manner which violates this Agreement or in the event Verizon ceases to offer Dedicated Internet Access to customers, upon not less than sixty (60) days advance notice.
- C. This Agreement is subject to availability and appropriation annually of sufficient Universal Service Funds as may be required to meet the obligation set forth herein. In the event Customer has, without success, used its best efforts to appropriate funds, Customer snail be permitted, upon (thirty) 30 days written notice to Verizon to terminate the Agreement and Customer shall not be liable for future Services to be provided by Verizon under this Agreement.

 D. Ail obligations of the patties under this Agreement which, by their nature, would continue beyond the termination, cancellation or expiration of this Agreement

9. INTERRUPTION OF SERVICE

Verizon shall make reasonable efforts to provide continuous, uninterrupted and expedient Service to Customer. Customer understands and agrees that temporary interruptions may occur as normal events in the provision of the Service. Except as sei forth in Section 10 below, under no circumstances shall Verizon be held liable for any financial or other damages due to Service interruptions.

shall survive such termination. cancellation or expiration.

10. SERVICE LEVEL GUARANTEE

Provided Customer's account is in good standing, if Customer is unable to access the Internet Se for more than thirty (30) continuous minutes during ty four (24) ho ir period, due to a Veria ลกา id Ci ito fail BK ri ub. i within to /en le on sull credit irt) day i, 1 1/30th the monthly \$ fe for Verizon Itemet access ana circuit e (if circuit is registered in Ver on's ii as set forth in 1 Sin i⊫e Qi tati TI is lit i: e to one our each twenty four (24) hour period. Verizon rese in right to modify this policy for written netice to Customer. This guarantee does not include Force Majeure events and r nance period:

11 CANCELLATION

the execution of his Agreement, Customer may ce of the ic is related (60) division witten atice 7 ate of uch cancellation. In se, Customer shall by 1 Virizon all charges or such provided time ight in date of ti tion plu a incellation th h ilnei as follows: (i) if sucreliation be pr ⊫ pri Γ to ŧ completion of the first y fill T m, the cacelition charge shall be an amount equal to one third of the mc. thly Services charges (then in effect at the till if cells ion) Rev. 1/19/05 Page 3 of 4 for such canceled Services that othewise would have become due for the unexpired portion the Term; or (Ii) If such cancellation becomes effective after completion of the first year of the Term, then the cancellation charge Shall be an amount equal to one fourth of the balance of the monthly Services charges for such canceled Services that otherwise would have become due and payable for the unexpired portion of the Term. It is agreed that Verizon's damages If Service is canceled shall be difficult or impossible to ascertain, thus the provisions of this Section are intended to establish liquidated damages in the event of cancellation end are not intended as a penalty.

12. NO ENDORSEMENT

Customer agrees that: (a) Verizon's link to a web site as part of the Service does not in any way represent or imply an approval of, or a determination of the quality of, the product or service described in the web site. or an endorsement, sponsorship or recommendation of the product or service; and (b) the links provided with the Service are maintained by third party organizations or entitles and lhose third party entitles or organizations are solely responsible for the web site's content.

13. CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES AND LIABILITY LIMITATION

Customer agrees that ail information provided on the Service, the Service Itself. and the Equipment are provided "AS IS and on an 'AS AVAILABLE' bask. However. Verizon shall transfer to Customer any and all manufacturers' warranties that may apply, if any, to the Equipment.

VERIZON DISCLAIMS ANY AND ALL WARRANTIES. WHETHER EXPRESS OR MPLLED, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE IMPLIED WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, OR ANY WARRANTY THAT THE SERVICE NETWORK **TRANSPORT** WILL OR UNINTERRUPTED OR ERROR FREE. IN NO EVENT SHALL VERIZON BE LIABLE FOR ANY INDIRECT, CONSEQUENTIAL OR INCIDENTAL DAMAGES, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION, LOST PROFITS OR LOSS OR DAMAGE TO DATA ARISING OUT OF THE USE, PARTIAL USE OR INABILITY TO USE THE SERVICE, EVEN IF VERIZON HAS BEEN ADVISED OF THE POSSIBLITY OF SUCH DAMAGES. VERIZON'S ENTIRE LIABILITY AND THE CUSTOMER'S EXCLUSIVE REMEDY UNDER THIS AGREEMENT, FOR ANY CLAIM, WHETHER IN CONTRACT (INCLUDING BREACH OF WARRANTY), OR IN TORT (INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE), SHALL BE LIMITED TO THE TOTAL AMOUNT PAID BY CUSTOMER TO VERIZON FOR THOSE SERVICES UPON WHICH THE LIABILITY IS BASED.

14. INDEMNIFICATION

Customer shall indomnify and save harmless Vertzon from all claims, losses, liens, expenses, suits and attorneys' fees

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("Liabilities") arising from the material or information transmitted by Customer, its emoloyees, agents or authorized users, over the services provided by Verizon hereunder.

15. PURCHASE ORDERS

If Customer issues a purchase order, voucher or other similar document it shall be for Customers internal purposes and, therefore, even if it is acknowledged by Veriron. the terms and conditions of such purchase order or Similar document will have no effect on this Agreement or the Services provided hereunder.

16. ASSIGNMENT

Neither party may, without the prior written consent of the other party, assign or transfer this Agreement or any obligation incurred hereunder, except that Verizon upon written notice to Customer may assign this Agreement to any affliiated entity, or to a successor entity upon the merger, reorganization, consolidation, or sale of all or substantially all of Verizon's assets. Any attempt to assign this Agreement In contravention of this Section shall be wild and of no force and effect.

17. CONTINGENCIES

Verizon will not be liable for delays, damages or fallures in performance due to causes beyond our reasonable control, including, but not limited to, acts of a governmental body, ads of God. acts of third parties, fires, floods, strikes or other labor-related disputes, or an inability to obtain necessary Equipment or Services.

18. SEVERABILITY

If any of the terms or conditions in this Agreement are properly found to be invalid or unenforceable by a government body, the remaining terms or conditions of this agreement shall not be affected by the finding and Shall continue in apply.

19. APPLICABLE LAW

This agreement shall be governed by the laws of lhe Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, without regard to its conflict of law rules.

20. NOTICE

Any notices or demands or other communications which under the terms of this Agreement or under any statute must or may be given or made by Customer or Verizon shall be in writing and to the respective parties as set forth

herein. Notices to Verizon shall be to the attention of the Legal Department. Either party may change the notice address or addressee by giving notice thereof to the other party. Notices may be given by first class U.S. mail (postage pre-paid, registered and with return receipt requested), nationally recognized express courier. confirmed facsimile, or personally. Notices shall be deemed to have been given on the date of delivery when delivered personally or by facsimile, on receipt if delivered by express courier or by hand, and three (3) days after delivery to the United States Postal Service if mailed.

21. PUBLICITY

Customer shall not use any trademark, trade name. trade dress at any name. picture or logo which is commonly identified with Verizon, Verizon Communications Inc. or its affiliates, or from which any association With Verizon, Verizon Communications Inc. or its affiliates may be inferred or implied, in any manner. including but not limited to advertising, sales promotions, press releases or otherwise, without the prior written permission of Verizon.

22. COUNTERPARTS AS ORIGINALS

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts each of which shall be deemed an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

23. NON-WAIVER

Verizon's failure at any time to enforce any of the provisions of this Agreement or any right or remedy available hereunder or at law at equity, or to exercise any option herein provided shall in no way be construed to be a waiver of such provisions, rights, remedies or options or in any way to affect the validity of this Agreement. The exercise by Verizon of any rights, remedies or options provided hereunder or at law or equity shall not preclude or prejudice Verizon from exercising thereafter of the same or any other rights, remedies or options.

24. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This is the entire agreement between Customer and Verizon on the subject matter of this agreement, and it supersedes all in a reprisent in ns, indeed dir s or agreements on the subject matter of this agreement. This agreement may not be changed or waive except as permitted by this igner in or by a litter document that is signal in the arties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Agreen ent to be executed as of the day and year first above set forth.

Verizon Network Integration Corp	Customer Name:
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ACCESS NEW JERSEY APPLICATION FOR SERVICE

This Application for Service is effective as ofdate set forth below ("Signature Date") between Verizon New Jersey Inc. ("Verizon") and the undersigned customer - Mortis Hills Regional High School ("Customer").

- 1. Term and Termination. The Service Period will commence thirty (30) days after the Signature Date, subject to Verizon's completion of any work or installation of facilities needed to provide the Services or such other date as agreed to by Verizon and Customer and will continue for thirty-six (36) months ("Service Period). If Customer terminates this Application prior to expiration of the Service Period, Customer will promptly pay Verizon one hundred percent (100%) of the monthly rates for the Services offset by 1/36th for each monthly payment made.
- 2. Services. Customer will during the Service Period purchase, and Verizon will provide, the services listed below in the quantities indicated ("Services3 for use at specified Customer locations within Verizon's serving territory. The Services will be provided subject to the terms and conditions of this Application. Verizon's applicable tariffs (as they may be amended from time-to-time) ("Tariffs") and those provisions of the Order and Stipulation of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board") in Docket No. TX96100707, dated June 10, 1997 (as may be amended from lime-to-time) that relate to discounts to schools and libraries, and the relevant determinations and Orders of the Board in Docket No. TOO1020095 (the "Order"), which are incorporated by this reference. The Service descriptions are set forth in the applicable Tariffs. Prior to its being tariffed, ATM service will be provided in accordance with service descriptions on file with Verizon: Verizon will provide these service descriptions to customer on request. Verizon's Access New Jersey IntelliLing BRI Service may not he provisioned for "D" Channel Packet Data.
- 3. Rates. The rates for the Services provided during the Service Period are **set** forth in Attachment 1. Vcrizon may change these rates to the **extent** authorized by the Order and its Tar(fg.
- 4. Service Continuation. Upon expiration of the Service Period the rates, terms and conditions that shall apply to any continued provision of the Service shall be those set forth in the applicable tariffs.
- 5. Eligibility and Universal Service Fund. Customer certifies that it is a not-for-profit school or library and otherwise meets, and will continue to meet throughout the Service Period, the eligibility and other requirements of the Order. Customer may also apply for discounts under the federal Universal Service Fund for schools and libraries that may be available for the Services ("USF" or "USF funding"). Customer shall be responsible for applying for and securing any USF funding. Veriwn will use reasonable efforts to assist Customer in this process. Should Customer qualify for USF funding, Verizon will recover the difference between the prediscounted rates herein and the discounted rates authorized under the USF from the USF, if Verizon for any reason is unable to recover such amounts from the USF, however, they shall be paid by Customer to Verizon.
- 6. Assignment. Verizon may assign of transfer pan or all of this Application to any of its affiliates or to subcontractors of its choosing. Provided that Customer provides Veriwn with reasonable prior written notice, Customer may assign or transfer this Application to any company that is the successor to substantially all of its assets and shall pay Verizon any transfer fees required to be paid under applicable tariffs. All other attempted assignments shall be void without prior written consent.
- 7. Confidentiality and Publicity. Except as may be required by law, Customer will not disclose this Application or its contents to any third party without the consent of Verizon. Customer will give timely notice to Verizon of demands made under law to produce the Application or to disclose its contents so that Verizon may seek appropriate protective arrangements. Neither party shall publish or use any advertising, sales, promotions, press releases or other publicity material that describe this Application without the prior written approval of the other party.

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Please do not send old contracts with additions on it. They are too difficult to audit and difficult to determine what the customer is actually getting.
All Contracts Must Be Signed And Dated by a Verizon representative and by the customer, using the existing signature authorization Policy, The policy can be found on the ESC Compliance website - http://esccompliance.verizon.com/.
An anginal copy of the contract must be forwarded to the National Contract Repository (NCR) within 48 hrs
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Universal Service Administrative Company

Schools & Libraries Division

FUNDING COMMITMENT DECISION LETTER (Funding Year 2006: 07/01/2006 - 06/30/2007)

December 5, 2006

Neil Charles MORRIS HILLS REGIONAL SCH DIST 48 KNOLL DR ROCKAWAY, NJ 07866-4024

Re: Farm 471 Application Rumber: 530618
Billed Entity Number (8283. 123092
Billed Entity FCC RN: 0003288358
Applicant's Form Identifier: None entered

Thank you for your Funding Year 2006 application for Universal Service Support and for any assistance you provided throughout our review. The current status of the funding request(s) in the Form 471 application cited above and featured in the Funding Commitment Report(s) (Report) at the end of this letter is as follows.

The amount, \$40,124.40 is "Approved."
 The amount, \$17,866.83 is "Derried."

Please refer to the Report on the page following this letter for specific funding request decisions and explanations. The Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) is also sending this information to your service provider(s) so preparations can begin for implementing your approved discount(s) after you file Form 486 (Receipt of Service Confirmation Form). A guide that provides a definition for each line of the Report precedes the Report.

A list of Important Reminders and Deadlines is included with this letter to assist you throughout the application process.

NEXT STEPS

- work With Your service provider to determine if you will receive discounted bills or if you will request reimbursement from USAC after paying your bills in full
 Review technology planning approval requirements
 Review CIPA requirements
 File Form 486

Invoice USAC using the Form 474 (service provider) or Form 472 (Billed Entity) - as products and services are being delivered and billed

TO APPEAL THIS DECISION:

If you wish to appeal a decision in this letter, your appeal must be received by USAC or postmarked within 60 days of the date of this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. In your letter of appeal:

- 1. Include the name, address, telephone number, fax number, and (if available) email address for the person who can most readily discuss this appeal with us.
- 2. State outright that your letter is an appeal. Include the following to identify the letter and the decision you are appealing:
 Appellant name,

Applicant name,
Applicant name and service provider name, if different from appellant,
Applicant BEN and Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN),
Form 471 Application Number 530618 as assigned by USAC,
"Funding Commitment Decision Letter for Funding Year 2006," AND
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- 3. Please keep your letter to the point, and provide documentation to support your appeal. Be sure to keep a copy of your entire appeal, including any correspondence and documentation.
- 4. If you are the applicant, please provide a copy of your appeal to the service provider(s) affected by USAC's decision. If you are the service provider please provide a copy of your appeal to the applicant(s) affected by USAC's decision
- 5. Provide an authorized signature on your letter of appeal.

To submit your appeal to USAC by email, email your appeal to appeals@sl.universaiservlce.org. USAC will automatically reply to incoming emails to confirm receipt.

To submit your appeal to USAC by fax, fax your appeal to (973) 599-6542

To submit your appeal to USAC on paper, send your appeal to:

Letter of Appeal Schools and Libraries Division - Correspondence Unit 100 South Jefferson Road P.O. BOX 902 Whippany, New Jersey 07981

While we encourage you to resolve your appeal with USAC first, you have the option of filing an appeal directly with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). You should refer to CC Docket No. 02-6 on the first page of Your appeal to the FCC. Your appeal must be received by the FCC or postmarked within 60 days of the date of this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissaul of your appeal. e strongly recommend that you use the electronic filing options described in the 'Appeals Procedure' posted in the Reference Area of our website. If you are submitting your appeal via United States Postal Service, send to: FCC, Office of the Secretary, 44 12th Street SW, Washington, DC 20554.

NOTICE ON RULES AND FUNDS AVAILABILITY

An applicants' receipt of funding commitments is contingent on their compliance with all statutory, regulatory, and procedural requirements of the Schools and Libraries Program. Applicants who have received funding commitments continue to be subject to audits and other reviews that USAC and/or the FCC may undertake periodically to assure that funds that have been committed are being used in accordance with all such requirements. USAC may be required to reduce or cancel funding commitments that were not issued in accordance with such requirements, whether due to action or inaction, including but not limited to that by USAC, the applicant, or the service provider. USAC, and other appropriate authorities (including but not limited to the FCC), may pursue enforcement actions and other means of recourse to collect improperly disbursed funds. The timing of payment of invoices may also be affected by the availability of funds based on the amount of funds collected from contributing telecommunications companies.

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A GUIDE TO THE FUNDING COMMITMENT REPORT

A report for each funding request in your application is attached to this letter. We are providing the following definitions for the items in that report

FORM 471 APPLICATION NUMBER: The unique identifier assigned to a Form 471 application by USAC.

FUNDING REQUEST NUMBER (IRN): A Funding Request Number is assigned by USAC to each Block 5 of your Form 471. This number is used to report, to applicants end service providers the status of individual funding requests submitted.

FUNDING STATUS: Each FRN will have one of the following statuses:

- 1. "Funded" the FRN is approved for support. The funding level will generally be the level requested unless USAC determined during the application review process that some adjustment is appropriate.
- 2. "Not Funded" the FRN is one for which no funds were committed. The reason for the decision will be briefly explained in the "Funding Commitment Decision Explanation." An FRN may be "Not Funded" because the request does not comply with program rules, or because the total amount of funding available for the Funding Year was insufficient to fund all requests.
- 3. "As Yet Unfunded" a temporary status assigned to an FRN when USAC is uncertain at the time the letter is sent about whether sufficient funds exist to make commitments for requests for Internal Connections Other than Basic Maintenance or Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections at a particular discount level. For example, if your application included requests for discounts on both Telecommunications Services and Internal Connections, you might receive a letter with funding commitments for your Telecommunications Services funding requests and with an "As Yet Unfunded" status on your Internal Connections requests. You would receive one or more subsequent letters regarding the funding decisions on your Internal Connections requests.

CATEGORY OF SERVICE: The type of service ordered from the service provider, as shown on your Form 471.

KRM 470 APPLICATION NUMBER: The Form 470 Application Number associated with this FRN from Block 5, Item 12 of the Form 471.

SPIN (Service Provider Identification Number): A unique number assigned by USAC to service providers seeking payment from the Universal Service Fund Programs. A SPIN is also used to verify delivery of services and to arrange for payment.

SERVICE PROVIDER NAME: The legal name of the service provider.

CONTRACT NUMBER: The number of the contract between the eligible party and the service provider, if a contract number was provided on your Form 471.

BILLING ACCOUNT NUMBER: The account number that your service provider has established with you for billing purposes, if a Billing Account Number was provided on your Form 471.

SERVICE START DATE: The Service Start Date for this FRN from Block 5, Item 19 of your Form 471.

CONTRACT EXPIRATION DATE: The Contract Expiration Date for this RN from Block 5, Item 200 of your Form 471, if a contract expiration date was provided on your Form 471.

SITE IDENTIFIER: The Entity Number listed in Form 471, Block 5, Item 22a for "site specific" FRNs only.

NUMBER OF MONTHS RECURRING SERVICE PROVIDED IN FUNDING YEAR: The number of months of service that has been approved for the funding year, for recurring services.

ANNUAL PRE-DISCOUNT AMOUNT KR ELIGIBLE RECURRING CHARGES: Eligible monthly pre-discount amount approved Correction of recurring charges multiplied by number of months of recurring service approved for the funding year.

ANNUAL PRE-DISCOUNT AMOUNT FOR ELIGIBLE NON-RECURRING CHARGES: Annual eligible non-recurring charges approved for the funding year.

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DISCOUNT PERCENTAGE APPROVED BY USAC: The discount rate that USAC approved for this service.

FUNDING COMMITMENT DECISION: The total amount of funding that USAC has reserved to reimburse your service provider for the approved discounts for this service for this funding year. It is important that both you and your service provider recognize that USAC should be invoiced and that discursement of funds will be made only for eligible, approved services actually rendered.

FUNDING COMMITMENT DECISION EXPLANATION: This entry provides an explanation of the amount in the "Funding Commitment Decision."

FCDL DATE. The date of this Funding Commitment Decision Letter (FCDL).

WAVE NUMBER. The Wave number assigned to FCDLs issued on this date.

LAST ALLOWABLE DATE FOR DELIVERY AND INSTALLATION FOR NON-RECURRING SERVICES: The last date approved by the FCC for delivery and installation of eligible non-recurring services (e.g., equipment). (The last allowable date for delivery and installation of recurring services is always the last day of the fund year, that is, June 30, 2007 for Funding Year 2006.)

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Billed Entity Name: MORRIS HILLS REGIONAL SCH DIST BEN: 123092 Funding Year: 2006

Funding Year: 2006

Form 471 Application Number: 530618
Funding Request Number: 1464522
Funding Status: Funded
Category of Service: Telecommunications Service
Form 470 Application Number: 545010000556038
SPIN: 143001192
Service Provider Name: AT&T Corporation
Contract Number: MTM
Billing Account Number: 973-989-2700
Service Start Date: 07/01/2006
Contract Expiration Date: 06/30/2007
Number of Months Recuming Service Provided in Funding Year: 12
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Recurring Charges: \$26,633.76
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Funding Commitment Decision: \$10,653.50 - FRN approved; modified by SID
Funding Commitment Decision Explanation: The shared discount was reduced to a level that could be validated based on third party data. FCDL Date: 12/05/2006 Wave Number: 033 Last Allowable Date for Delivery and Installation for Non-Recurring Services: 09/30/2007 Funding Request Number: 1465211
Funding Status: Funded
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Form 470 Application Number: 545010000556038
SPIN: 143001362
Service Provider Name: Verizon New Jersey Inc
Contract Number: MIM
Billing Account Number: 201 V63-1187-999
Service Start Date: 07/01/2006
Contract Expiration Date: 06/30/2007
Number of Months Recurring Service Provided in Funding Year: 12
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Recurring Charges: \$71,193.24
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Non-recurring Charges: \$.00
Pre-discount Amount: \$71,193.24
Discount Percentage Approved by the USAC: 407
Funding Commitment Decision: \$28,477.30 FRN approved; modified by SLD
Funding Commitment Decision Explanation: The shared discount was reduced to a level that could be validated based on third party data. The dollars requested were reduced to remove: the ineligible product(s)/service(s): business charge listing. FCDL Date: 12/05/2006 Wave Number: 033 Last Allowable Date for Delivery and Installation for Non-Recurring Services; 09/30/2007

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Billed Entity Name: MORRIS HILLS REGIONAL SCH DIST BEN: 123092 Funding Year: 2006

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Category of Service: Internet Access
Form 47 Application Number: 545010000556038
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SPIN 14 Application Number: 973-664-2100
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Billing Account Number: 973-664-2100
Service Start Date: 07/01/2006
Contract Expiration Date: 02/14/2009
Contract Expiration Date: 02/14/2009
Number of Months Recurring Service Provided in Funding Year: 12
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Recurring Charges: \$21,600.00
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Recurring Charges: \$2.00
Pre-discount Amount: \$21,600.00
Discount Percentage Approved by the USAC N/A Waitin Period Violated
Funding Commitment Decision: \$0.00 - 28 bay Waitin Period Violated
Funding Commitment Decision: Explanation: The Form 271 application was signed and/or
submitted prior to the expiration of the 28-day waiting period from the day of the
Posting of the Form 470 to the SLD Web Site.

FCDL Date: 12/05/2006
Wave Number: 033
Last Allowable Date for Delivery and Installation for Non-Recurring Services: 09/30/2007

Funding Request Number: 1477187
Funding Status: Not Funded
Category of Service: Internet Access
Form 470 A lication Number: 545010000556038
SPIN: 143089333
Service Provider Name: Verizon Network Integration Corp
Contract Number: N/A
Billing Account Number: 973-664-2100
Service Start Date: 07701/2006
Contract Expiration Date: 02/14/2009
Number of Months Recurring Service Provided in Funding Year: 12
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Recurring Charges: \$14,880 00
Apren Start Date: 07/01/2006
Contract Expiration Date: 02/14/2009
Number of Months Recurring Service Provided in Form 471 application was signed and/or submitted prior to the expiration of the 28-day waiting period from the day of the Punding Commitment Decision: SR 00 - 28 Lay Waiting Period from the day of the Punding Commitment Decision Explanation: The

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